## **DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY**



HEADQUARTERS, U. S. ARMY DENTAL ACTIVITY FORT HUACHUCA, ARIZONA 85613-7040

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MEMORANDUM FOR ALL DENTAC PERSONNEL

SUBJECT: U.S. Army Dental Activity (DENTAC) Policy Memorandum #99-04 -- Policy on Accident Prevention

- 1. The safety and health of all staff members, patients, and visitors at the U.S. Army Dental Activity, Fort Huachuca, is of prime concern to me and will remain a top priority throughout the tenure of my command. Mission accomplishment is jeopardized when our personnel are unable to perform assigned tasks due to injury or property damage suffered in a moment of inattention or under conditions not truly safe. A safe and healthful work place for all can be achieved through intelligent application of principles and criteria outlined in MEDDAC Regulation 385-4, Safety Program, Occupational Safety and Health Administration standards, and Department of the Army regulations.
- 2. All personnel must recognize the need for observing general safety and health measures and maintaining individual work places in a safe and healthful state. Report unsafe and unhealthful conditions, injuries, accidents, and near misses to your supervisor or the safety officer. It is your right and obligation to do so. Help new workers to recognize and avoid hazards. Offer suggestions that you feel will enhance the safety of our surroundings.
- 3. It is the responsibility of the supervisory chain to indoctrinate their employees in safe practices and enforce safety and health requirements. Unsafe and unhealthful conditions reported by subordinates, patients, or visitors will be promptly evaluated; appropriate corrective action will be taken.
- 4. I solicit your support and cooperation in making our organization a safer one. By working together, we can eliminate accidents. Freedom from accidental injury is both a desirable and attainable goal.

//Original Signed By//

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